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GEORGIA LABOR MARKET TRENDS

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Construction Drops, Building Permits Down

Georgia's construction industry was the big loser this month as employment fell 2,200 from August. General building was down 1,300, and heavy building and special trades contracting lost 400 each.

The division dropped 5,100 from September 1986. Almost all of the decline has occurred in general building. Permits to build apartments declined from 1,725 in August 1986 to 219 in August 1987, while single-family housing permits also dropped, although less drastically. Many analysts attribute the housing slowdown to rising interest rates and the new tax law which makes rental property a less profitable investment.

Although each of the remaining divisions gained from both reference periods, there were considerable internal fluctuations in some industries. One of those, the decline of 2,000 in state education, was nothing more than a statistical aberration. The reference period from which estimates are made is the week which includes the 12th of the month; in September, that coincided with the break between quarters in state institutions.

Local education, on the other hand, rose 11,000. This was nothing more than a normal seasonal pattern, reflecting the resumption of classes following summer vacation.

Local government dropped 2,500 from August to September because of the termination of summer jobs. The City of Atlanta released 1,000 temporary employees, and the remaining 1,500 were scattered among other jurisdictions around the state.

Trade showed negligible over-the-month change, but annual growth was strong, although it appears to be slowing in some sectors. Department stores grew by 3,400, almost entirely because of the expansion of one major chain. Auto dealers and service facilities; food stores; apparel stores; furniture stores; and miscellaneous retailers rose moderately. Employment in eating and drinking places continues to expand, but by fewer people. It remains to be seen whether or not this constitutes the beginning of a trend or is merely temporary.

Employment in the service industries was stagnant over the month except for the normal seasonal increase in private education and a smaller gain in social service organizations, a number of which operate programs for children that are timed to coincide with the school year.

Annual growth in the service industries was healthy, but has become somewhat erratic in some sectors. This

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New Developments

Pep Boys, the nation's leading automotive supply and service chain, has come to Atlanta. Although Pep Boys is "the new kid on the block," the company will make its presence felt in the area. Four new stores were opened in mid-September, and twelve more are planned. Atlanta will become a regional hub for the Southeast. Future plans call for construction of a warehouse to serve all of the company's Southeastern stores. The retail outlets will not only sell automotive parts and equipment, but will also have mechanics on duty seven days a week. When all are open and fully staffed, the stores will bring approximately 700 jobs to the area.

Southern Bell Telephone Company will establish a service center to handle operator-assisted long distance calls in Albany. Initial employment will be about 35 people, a figure that is expected to rise to 100 within a year. The new operator center, known as TOPS (traffic operator position system), will supplement those already operating in Georgia.

AFF Inc. has purchased a defunct alcohol fuel plant in Douglas, which it will convert to the manufacture of chemicals, flavors, and fragrances. The company's products will be used in such personal care products as shampoo, lotions, and toothpaste. Candy flavorings, flavor extracts, and essential oils for fragrances are also to be produced. The plant, located on a 4 1/2 acre

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is primarily because of the role of temporary services and janitorial services, for which demand is heavy, but highly variable. Health services continues to increase, reflecting a growing trend toward fewer and shorter hospital stays and more out-patient care.

Transportation, communication, and utilities rose from both reference periods. Most of the monthly gain occurred in motor freight and water transportation. From last year, motor freight transportation was responsible for the entire increase of 1,300 in the transportation sector. The additional communication employees were almost all the result of the opening of a new billing center by a major telephone carrier.

Finance, insurance, and real estate dropped 700 from August, almost entirely because of termination of summer workers in the banking industry. From last year, both finance and insurance gained. The increase in finance was split among banks, credit agencies, and securities dealers. Real estate was off slightly, reflecting a softening market.

The manufacturing division's performance was lackluster during both periods of comparison. The most significant developments were in the textile and apparel industries.

At 108,400, textile employment is at its highest level since November 1981. The big gainer has been floor covering mills. An industry spokesman attributed much of the growth in recent months to increased demand stemming from a new process that makes fibers much more resistant to stains. Employment has grown significantly in cotton weaving mills as well.

The apparel industry, on the other hand, has not benefited from its sister industry's improved health. The losses are industrywide, although worsened by a layoff in one large manufacturer of women's clothing.

Although over-the-month employment was stable in transportation equipment, the industry dropped 1,600 from September 1986. Two major automobile assembly plants decreased their employment by a total of 4,100, but the decline was tempered by an increase of 700 workers in a third facility. Aircraft assembly also grew, largely because of expansions in two companies.

Nonelectrical machinery increased by 1,100 from last year. This was caused by more business in three sectors: farm machinery, service industry machines, and general machinery.

Healthy growth in the meat products industry was partly offset by a substantial decline in bakery products. There was little change in the remaining segments.

New Developments

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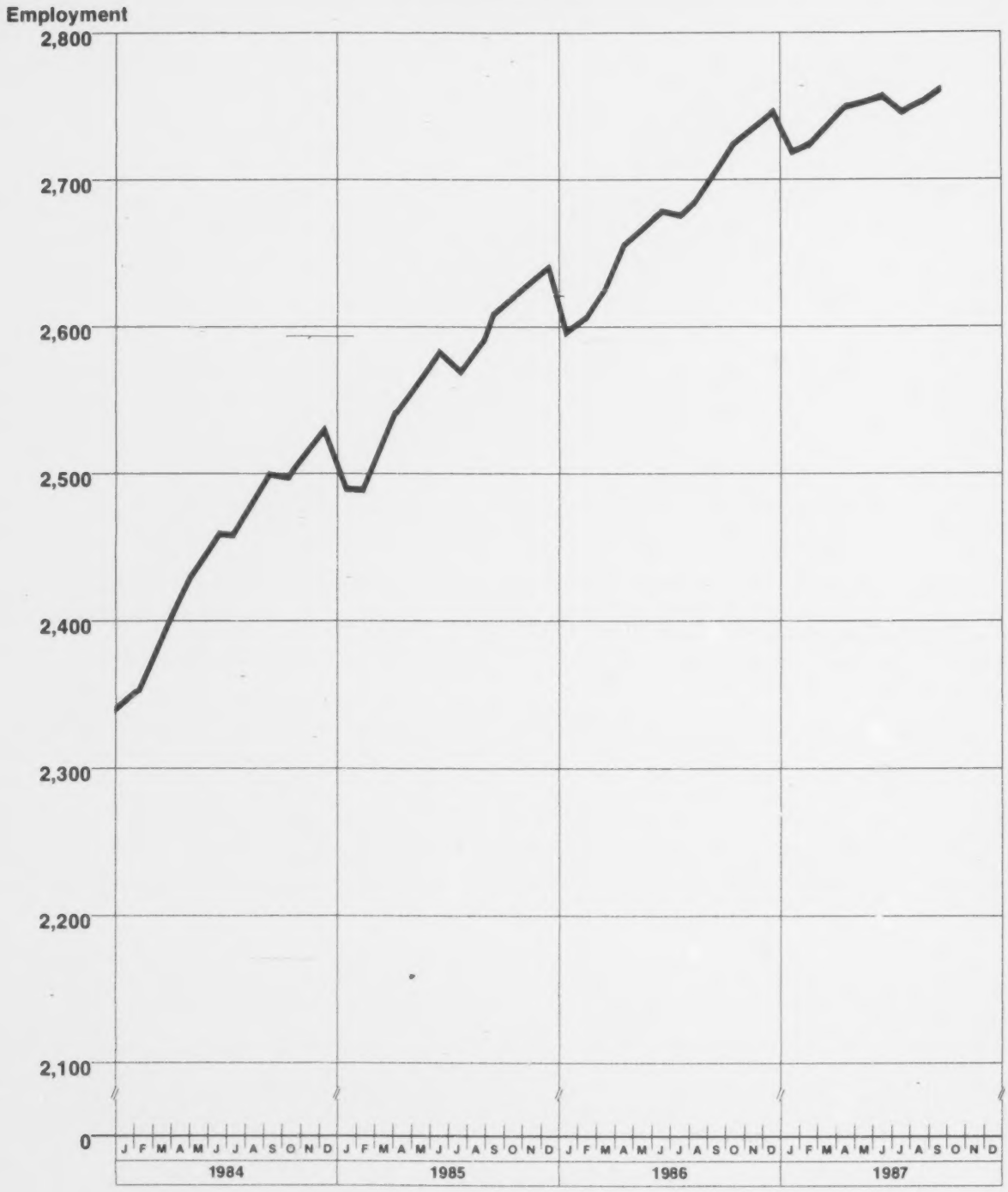
site, will bring some 30 jobs to the South Georgia community.

Southern Coke Corporation of Chattanooga, Tennessee, closed on August 31. The company, which produced metalurgical coke, had been operating under a consent decree because of environmental pollution problems cited by the Environmental Protection Agency. A company spokesman said that although the company made substantial progress in resolving its air pollution problems, it still fell short of what was required under the terms of the decree, and therefore, had no choice but to close. It is not known at this time how many Georgians were affected by the closing.

Kroger Corporation recently opened its $5 million Citi-Center store in Atlanta. Located at the corner of Stewart and Cleveland Avenues, it is the company's largest establishment in Georgia. With 87,000 square-feet of space, it is second in size nationally only to a Greenville, S.C. store with 90,000 square feet. The supermarket will contain a number of smaller shops, including a bank, an electronics shop, and a pet shop. A Treasury Drug store will be opening shortly adjacent to the Kroger store. This development is expected to generate about 300 jobs.

TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
(In thousands)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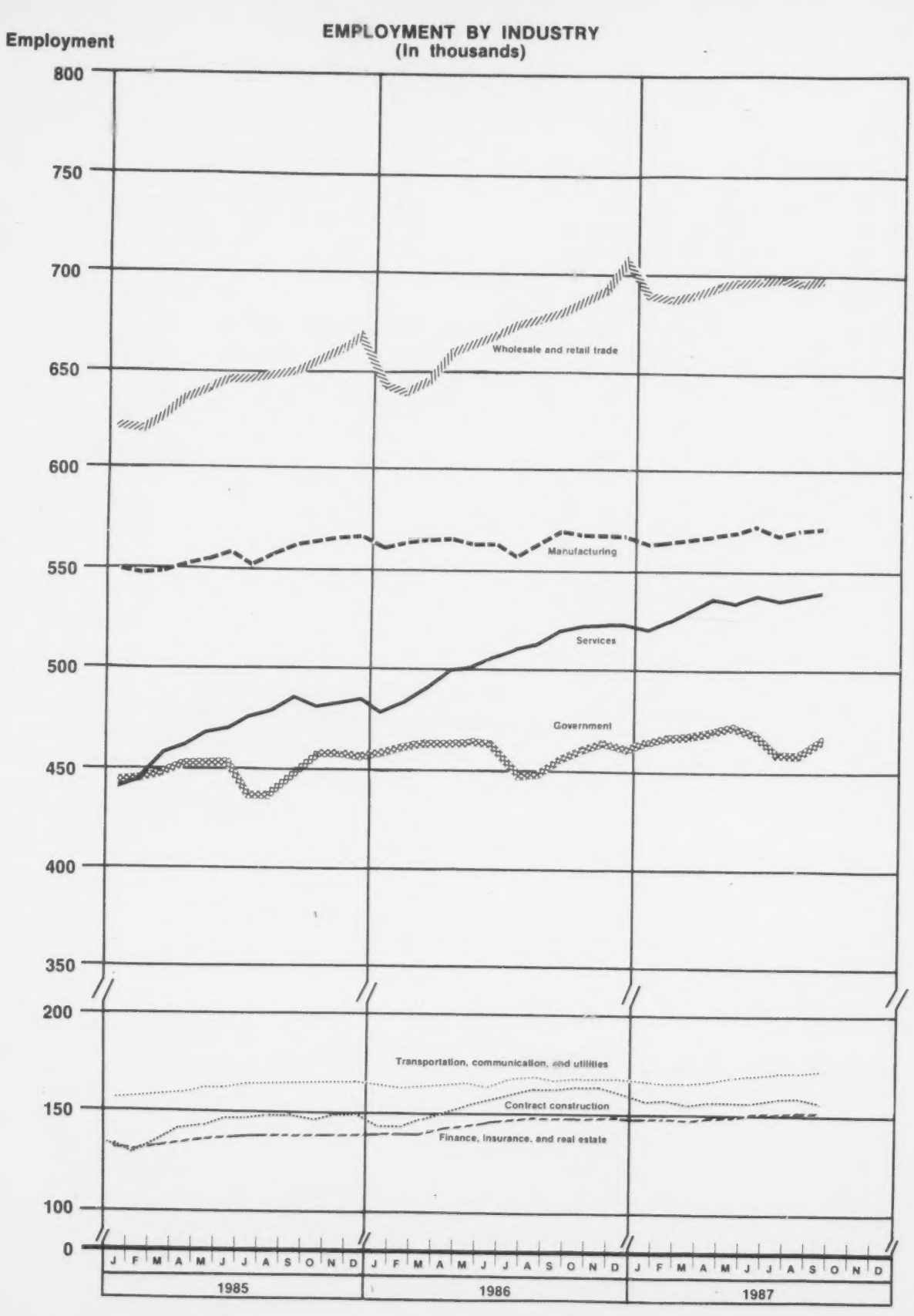
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(In thousands)
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GEORGIA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	**000000**	**2,762.1**	**2,753.4**	**2,712.0**	**8.7**	**50.1**
Manufacturing	300005	571.5	570.4	569.7	1.1	1.8
Durable goods	300025	223.0	222.4	223.0	.6	0
Lumber and wood products	324005	34.9	35.2	34.8	-.3	.1
Logging camps, sawmills, and planing mills	324195	14.4	14.5	14.4	-.1	0
Furniture and fixtures	325005	11.7	11.7	11.6	0	.1
Household furniture	325105	6.6	6.6	6.7	0	-.1
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	20.5	20.7	21.2	-.2	-.7
Primary metal industries	333005	15.2	15.1	15.5	.1	-.3
Fabricated metal products	334005	20.7	20.6	20.7	.1	0
Machinery, except electrical	335005	27.1	26.6	26.0	.5	1.1
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	29.8	29.6	29.1	.2	.7
Transportation equipment	337005	50.3	50.2	51.9	.1	-1.6
Other durable goods	399915	12.7	12.8	12.2	-.1	.5
Nondurable goods	400015	348.4	348.0	346.7	.4	1.7
Food and kindred products	420005	61.8	62.2	62.5	-.4	-.7
Meat products	420105	25.8	25.8	24.5	0	1.3
Poultry dressing and poultry processing	420185	19.5	19.7	18.8	-.2	.7
Dairy products	420205	3.8	3.7	3.9	.1	-.1
Bakery products	420505	9.4	9.6	10.1	-.2	-.7
Textile mill products	422005	108.4	108.0	104.6	.4	3.8
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	18.3	18.0	17.2	.3	1.1
Weaving mills, synthetic	422205	8.5	8.3	8.3	.2	.2
Knitting mills	422505	8.8	9.0	8.7	-.2	.1
Floor covering mills	422705	35.8	35.6	33.6	.2	2.2
Yarn and thread mills	422805	20.4	20.3	20.7	.1	-.3
Apparel and other textile products	423005	68.9	69.0	70.3	-.1	-1.4
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	38.7	38.7	39.2	0	-.5
Women's and children's clothing	423335	19.6	19.7	20.8	-.1	-1.2
Paper and allied products	426005	30.8	30.4	31.1	.4	-.3
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	426135	13.0	12.9	13.6	.1	-.6
Paperboard containers and boxes	426505	7.4	7.3	7.4	.1	0
Printing and publishing	427005	37.9	37.8	37.0	.1	.9
Commercial printing	427505	15.2	15.1	14.3	.1	.9
Chemicals and allied products	428005	18.6	18.6	19.2	0	-.6
Agricultural chemicals	428705	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	.1
Leather and leather products	431005	1.3	1.3	1.4	0	-.1
Other nondurable goods	499915	20.8	20.8	20.6	0	.2
Nonmanufacturing	000060	2,190.6	2,183.0	2,142.2	7.6	48.4
Mining	100005	8.9	8.9	8.7	0	.2
Contract construction	200005	157.3	159.5	162.4	-2.2	-5.1
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	172.5	171.1	168.4	1.4	4.1
Transportation	500015	104.5	103.6	103.2	.9	1.3
Communication (except U.S. Postal Service)	548005	41.9	41.5	39.6	.4	2.3
Electric, gas, and sanitary services	549005	26.1	26.0	25.6	.1	.5
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	697.0	696.4	680.3	.6	16.7
Wholesale trade	650005	203.7	203.3	199.8	.4	3.9
Wholesale trade—durable	650015	131.9	131.9	129.7	0	2.2
Wholesale trade—nondurable	651005	71.8	71.4	70.1	.4	1.7
Retail trade	652005	493.3	493.1	480.5	.2	12.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	151.0	151.7	148.7	-.7	2.3
Finance	760025	69.0	69.7	68.0	-.7	1.0
Insurance carriers, agents, and brokers	763045	48.2	48.2	46.5	0	1.7
Real estate	765075	33.9	33.9	34.2	0	-.3
Services	800005	539.7	537.4	519.5	2.3	20.2
Hotels and other lodging places	870005	40.8	41.1	40.0	-.3	.8
Business services	873005	135.7	136.0	128.4	-.3	7.3
Health services	880005	125.4	125.5	119.7	-.1	5.7
Private hospitals	880605	45.1	45.1	42.5	0	2.6
Government	998008	464.3	457.9	454.4	6.4	9.9
Federal	998011	98.0	98.2	95.2	-.2	2.8
Defense	998101	38.0	38.1	37.7	-.1	.3
Other federal (including U.S. Postal Service)	998401	60.0	60.1	57.5	-.1	2.5
State	998512	103.7	105.7	102.0	-2.0	1.7
State education	882002	38.7	40.3	38.4	-1.6	.3
Other state	992972	65.0	65.4	63.6	-.4	1.4
Local	998523	262.5	254.0	257.2	8.5	5.3
Local education	882003	135.2	124.2	132.4	11.0	2.8
Other local	993973	127.3	129.8	124.9	-2.5	2.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers throughout Georgia. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

GEORGIA HOURS AND EARNINGS

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
		CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986
Total manufacturing	300005	$353.12	$345.69	$347.36	41.3	41.8	41.5	$ 8.55	$ 8.27	$ 8.37
Durable goods	300025	409.63	392.60	400.15	42.1	41.9	41.9	9.73	9.37	9.55
Nondurable goods	400015	318.24	317.68	315.12	40.8	41.8	41.3	7.80	7.60	7.63
SELECTED INDUSTRIES										
Food and kindred products	420005	320.28	313.16	321.22	40.8	40.2	42.1	7.85	7.79	7.63
Textile mill products	422005	295.95	304.58	294.79	42.4	44.4	42.6	6.98	6.86	6.92
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	318.97	328.33	326.93	42.7	45.1	44.3	7.47	7.28	7.38
Weaving mills, synthetic	422205	345.03	346.50	329.89	47.2	46.2	44.7	7.31	7.50	7.38
Knitting mills	422505	241.96	258.64	238.23	39.6	42.4	38.3	6.11	6.10	6.22
Floor covering mills	422705	296.38	311.79	315.37	46.6	49.1	47.0	6.36	6.35	6.71
Yarn and thread mills	422805	300.31	297.68	278.71	38.9	40.5	39.2	7.72	7.35	7.11
Apparel and other textile products	423005	185.12	190.39	184.46	35.6	37.7	36.6	5.20	5.05	5.04
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	183.39	189.74	175.44	35.2	38.1	35.3	5.21	4.98	4.97
Women's and children's clothing	423335	171.42	175.33	181.74	35.2	36.3	38.1	4.87	4.83	4.77
Lumber and wood products	324005	293.71	292.63	250.29	40.4	40.7	40.5	7.27	7.19	6.18
Furniture and fixtures	325005	284.76	268.20	220.57	45.2	45.0	39.6	6.30	5.96	5.57
Paper and allied products	426005	566.72	526.28	585.47	46.0	44.3	46.8	12.32	11.88	12.51
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	426135	690.28	630.65	742.99	49.2	46.1	51.1	14.03	13.68	14.54
Chemicals and allied products	428005	482.11	456.43	438.69	43.2	43.1	41.9	11.16	10.59	10.47
Leather and leather products	431005	139.47	149.77	161.63	27.4	32.7	37.5	5.09	4.58	4.31
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	394.62	383.60	364.61	42.8	42.2	43.2	9.22	9.09	8.44
Fabricated metal products	334005	345.28	348.01	371.42	41.5	42.7	42.4	8.32	8.15	8.76
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	391.94	392.54	448.56	40.7	42.3	42.0	9.63	9.28	10.68
Transportation equipment	337005	587.95	518.88	560.90	43.2	39.7	42.3	13.61	13.07	13.26

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data exclude supervisory, sales, clerical, and other office personnel. Average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis, reflecting changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, as well as any premium pay for overtime and late shift work. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ATLANTA MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	1,387.7	1,386.4	1,356.3	1.3	31.4
Manufacturing	300005	191.4	191.1	193.9	.3	-2.5
Durable goods	300025	98.8	98.4	101.3	.4	-2.5
Lumber and wood products	324005	5.3	5.2	5.2	.1	.1
Furniture and fixtures	325005	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	0
Household furniture	325105	1.8	1.9	1.8	-.1	0
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	10.2	10.3	10.4	-.1	-.2
Primary metal industries	333005	6.5	6.5	6.7	0	-.2
Fabricated metal products	334005	9.0	8.8	9.0	.2	0
Machinery, except electrical	335005	11.7	11.5	11.0	.2	.7
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	15.4	15.4	15.2	0	.2
Transportation equipment	337005	30.7	30.7	33.8	0	-3.1
Other durable goods	399915	5.6	5.5	5.6	.1	0
Nondurable goods	400015	92.6	92.7	92.5	-.1	.1
Food and kindred products	420005	22.0	22.1	22.2	-.1	-.2
Meat products	420105	7.1	7.2	7.0	-.1	.1
Bakery products	420505	3.2	3.3	3.7	-.1	-.5
Textile mill products	422005	7.6	7.6	7.4	0	.2
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	2.7	2.7	2.5	0	.2
Yarn and thread mills	422805	1.0	1.0	1.0	0	0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	11.5	11.6	12.4	-.1	-.9
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	5.0	5.1	5.4	-.1	-.4
Women's and children's clothing	423335	3.2	3.2	3.4	0	-.2
Paper and allied products	426005	9.5	9.5	9.0	0	.5
Paperboard containers and boxes	426505	5.1	4.9	4.7	.2	.4
Printing and publishing	427005	24.0	23.9	23.5	.1	.5
Commercial printing	427505	9.6	9.6	9.3	0	.3
Chemicals and allied products	428005	9.7	9.7	9.7	0	0
Other nondurable goods	499915	8.3	8.2	8.3	.1	0
Nonmanufacturing	000060	1,196.3	1,195.3	1,162.4	1.0	33.9
Mining	100005	1.7	1.7	1.6	0	.1
Contract construction	200005	78.5	80.5	82.3	-2.0	-3.8
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	112.9	112.6	110.0	.3	2.9
Transportation	500015	71.2	71.1	70.7	.1	.5
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	387.3	387.1	374.6	.2	12.7
Wholesale trade	650005	134.4	134.5	132.0	-.1	2.4
Wholesale trade—durable	650015	96.0	96.0	94.5	0	1.5
Wholesale trade—nondurable	651005	38.4	38.5	37.5	-.1	.9
Retail trade	652005	252.9	252.7	242.6	.2	10.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	98.4	98.5	96.4	-.1	2.0
Finance	760025	41.6	41.7	40.2	-.1	1.4
Insurance carriers, agents, and brokers	763045	33.5	33.4	32.1	.1	1.4
Services	800005	328.1	328.2	314.6	-.1	13.5
Hotels and other lodging places	870005	25.9	25.9	25.0	0	.9
Business services	873005	102.6	103.4	97.2	-.8	5.4
Health services	880005	57.5	57.7	55.0	-.2	2.5
Private hospitals	880605	22.0	22.2	20.7	-.2	1.3
Government	998008	189.3	186.6	183.0	2.7	6.3
Federal	998011	41.8	41.6	39.1	.2	2.7
Defense	998101	6.3	6.3	6.1	0	.2
Other federal (including U.S. Postal Service)	998401	35.5	35.3	33.0	.2	2.5
State	998512	35.6	36.5	34.6	-.9	1.0
State education	882002	9.8	10.7	9.7	-.9	.1
Other state	992972	25.8	25.8	24.9	0	.9
Local	998523	111.9	108.5	109.2	3.4	2.7
Local education	882003	54.5	49.9	53.0	4.6	1.5
Other local	993973	57.4	58.6	56.2	-1.2	1.2

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Atlanta MSA, which includes Barrow, Bulloch, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding, and Walton counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ALBANY MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	49.0	48.3	48.3	.7	.7
Manufacturing	300005	8.5	8.5	8.7	0	-.2
Durable goods	300025	1.8	1.8	2.1	0	-.3
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	.8	.8	1.0	0	-.2
Other durable goods	399915	.9	1.0	1.0	-.1	-.1
Nondurable goods	400015	6.7	6.7	6.6	0	.1
Food and kindred products	420005	2.1	2.1	2.1	0	0
Textile mill products	422005	1.1	1.1	1.1	0	0
Chemicals and allied products	428005	.4	.4	.4	0	0
Other nondurable goods	499915	3.1	3.1	3.0	0	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	40.5	39.8	39.7	.7	.8
Mining	100005	*	*	*	*	*
Contract construction	200005	2.3	2.3	2.2	0	.1
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	2.2	2.2	2.2	0	0
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	12.4	12.5	12.4	-.1	0
Wholesale trade	650005	3.4	3.4	3.5	0	-.1
Retail trade	652005	9.0	9.2	8.9	-.2	.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	2.5	2.5	2.4	0	.1
Services	800005	8.4	8.4	7.9	0	.5
Government	998008	12.7	11.9	12.6	.8	.1
Federal	998011	3.4	3.4	3.4	0	0
State and local	998509	9.3	8.5	9.2	.8	.1

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Albany MSA, which includes Dougherty and Lee counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

** Employment fewer than 100 workers.*

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ATHENS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	61.7	62.8	59.4	-1.1	2.3
Manufacturing	300005	15.8	15.8	15.3	0	.5
Durable goods	300025	5.5	5.5	5.2	0	.3
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	2.7	2.6	2.6	.1	.1
Other durable goods	399915	2.8	2.9	2.6	-.1	.2
Nondurable goods	400015	10.4	10.3	10.1	.1	.3
Food and kindred products	420005	3.9	3.8	3.5	.1	.4
Textile mill products	422005	2.6	2.6	2.6	0	0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	2.5	2.6	2.7	-.1	-.2
Other nondurable goods	499915	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
Nonmanufacturing	000060	45.8	47.0	44.1	-1.2	1.7
Mining	100005	.2	.2	.1	0	.1
Contract construction	200005	2.8	2.8	2.6	0	.2
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	12.9	12.8	12.5	.1	.4
Wholesale trade	650005	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	.1
Retail trade	652005	10.4	10.2	10.0	.2	.4
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	2.1	2.1	2.0	0	.1
Services	800005	9.3	9.5	9.1	-.2	.2
Government	998008	16.8	17.9	16.1	-1.1	.7
Federal	998011	2.2	2.1	2.1	.1	.1
State and local	998509	14.6	15.8	13.9	-1.2	.7

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Athens MSA, which includes Clarke, Jackson, Madison, and Oconee counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

AUGUSTA MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	152.1	151.8	151.9	.3	.2
Manufacturing	300005	36.6	36.5	36.0	.1	.6
Durable goods	300025	9.9	9.8	9.7	.1	.2
Lumber and wood products	324005	1.2	1.2	1.2	.0	.0
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	3.3	3.4	3.3	-.1	.0
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	2.7	2.7	2.6	.0	.1
Other durable goods	399915	2.7	2.6	2.6	.1	.1
Nondurable goods	400015	26.7	26.6	26.2	.1	.5
Food and kindred products	420005	2.1	2.2	2.2	-.1	-.1
Textile mill products	422005	5.9	5.9	5.6	.0	.3
Apparel and other textile products	423005	2.9	2.9	2.9	.0	.0
Printing and publishing	427005	1.3	1.3	1.2	.0	.1
Other nondurable goods	499915	14.5	14.3	14.3	.2	.2
Nonmanufacturing	000050	115.5	115.3	116.0	.2	-.5
Mining	100005	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	8.7	9.0	9.0	-.3	-.3
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	5.1	5.1	5.1	.0	.0
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	33.0	33.2	32.8	-.2	.2
Wholesale trade	650005	5.0	5.0	4.9	.0	.1
Retail trade	652005	28.0	28.2	27.9	-.2	.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	6.0	6.0	5.9	.0	.1
Services	800055	28.8	28.8	29.8	.0	-1.0
Government	998008	33.3	32.8	32.9	.5	.4
Federal	998011	8.3	8.4	8.3	-.1	.0
State and local	998509	25.0	24.4	24.6	.6	.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Augusta MSA, which includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties in Georgia and Aiken County, South Carolina. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

COLUMBUS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	90.6	90.5	90.5	.1	.1
Manufacturing	300005	19.7	19.8	20.1	-.1	-.4
Durable goods	300025	6.1	6.2	6.4	-.1	-.3
Lumber and wood products	324005	.9	.9	.9	.0	.0
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	.6	.6	.6	.0	.0
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	3.7	3.7	3.8	.0	-.1
Other durable goods	399915	1.0	1.0	1.0	.0	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	13.6	13.5	13.8	.1	-.2
Food and kindred products	420005	3.5	3.5	3.6	.0	-.1
Textile mill products	422005	6.9	6.8	6.8	.1	.1
Apparel and other textile products	423005	.4	.4	.4	.0	.0
Printing and publishing	427005	1.3	1.4	1.4	-.1	-.1
Other nondurable goods	499915	1.5	1.5	1.4	.0	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	70.9	70.8	70.4	.1	.5
Mining	100005	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	5.2	5.4	5.4	-.2	-.2
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	3.4	3.1	3.5	.0	-.1
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	20.5	20.4	20.1	.1	.4
Wholesale trade	650005	2.7	2.7	2.8	.0	-.1
Retail trade	652005	17.8	17.7	17.3	.1	.5
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	6.2	6.3	6.3	-.1	-.1
Services	800005	15.4	15.5	15.4	-.1	.0
Government	998008	20.1	19.7	19.6	.4	.5
Federal	998011	7.5	7.5	7.4	.0	.1
State and local	998509	12.6	12.2	12.2	.4	.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Columbus MSA, which includes Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties in Georgia and Russell County, Alabama. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

MACON-WARNER ROBINS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	**000000**	**117.8**	**117.5**	**116.6**	**.3**	**1.2**
Manufacturing	300005	19.8	19.8	18.9	.0	.9
Durable goods	300025	7.5	7.4	6.9	.1	.6
Lumber and wood products	324005	.3	.3	.3	.0	.0
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	1.4	1.4	1.4	.0	.0
Machinery, except electrical	335005	.4	.4	.3	.0	.1
Other durable goods	399915	5.3	5.3	4.9	.0	.4
Nondurable goods	400015	12.4	12.4	11.9	.0	.5
Food and kindred products	420005	2.5	2.7	2.7	-.2	-.2
Textile mill products	422005	1.3	1.3	1.3	.0	.0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	1.5	1.5	1.3	.0	.2
Paper and allied products	426005	2.8	2.7	2.7	.1	.1
Chemicals and allied products	428005	.4	.4	.3	.0	.1
Other nondurable goods	499915	3.8	3.8	3.6	.0	.2
Nonmanufacturing	000060	98.0	97.7	97.7	.3	.3
Mining	100005	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	5.1	5.3	5.1	-.2	.0
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	5.1	5.1	5.0	.0	.1
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	25.2	25.2	25.6	.0	-.4
Wholesale trade	650005	4.5	4.5	4.5	.0	.0
Retail trade	652005	20.7	20.8	21.1	-.1	-.4
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	7.7	7.7	7.4	.0	.3
Services	800055	20.7	20.8	20.8	-.1	-.1
Government	998008	34.0	33.4	33.7	.6	.3
Federal	998011	18.0	18.1	18.0	-.1	.0
State and local	998509	16.0	15.4	15.7	.6	.3

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Macon MSA, which includes Bibb, Houston, Jones, and Peach counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

SAVANNAH MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH SEPT. 1987	PREVIOUS MONTH AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO SEPT. 1986	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	**000000**	**101.4**	**100.3**	**100.8**	**1.1**	**.6**
Manufacturing	300005	17.4	17.0	16.9	.4	.5
Durable goods	300025	8.4	8.2	7.8	.2	.6
Lumber and wood products, except furniture	324005	1.4	1.2	1.2	.2	.2
Millwork, plywood, and prefabricated structural products	324305	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Transportation equipment	337005	5.0	5.0	4.6	.0	.4
Other durable goods	399915	2.0	2.0	2.0	.0	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	8.9	8.8	9.1	.1	-.2
Food and kindred products	420005	2.0	1.9	1.9	.1	.1
Paper and allied products	426005	4.1	4.1	4.2	.0	-.1
Chemicals and allied products	428005	1.5	1.5	1.5	.0	.0
Petroleum and coal products	429005	.6	.6	.6	.0	.0
Other nondurable goods	499915	.8	.8	.8	.0	.0
Nonmanufacturing	000060	84.0	83.3	84.0	.7	.0
Mining	100005	*	*	*	*	*
Contract construction	200005	7.3	7.1	7.8	.2	-.5
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	9.7	9.5	10.0	.2	-.3
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	23.7	23.8	23.7	-.1	.0
Wholesale trade	650005	5.1	5.2	5.0	-.1	.1
Retail trade	652005	18.6	18.6	18.7	.0	-.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	4.3	4.4	4.5	-.1	-.2
Services	800005	22.7	22.9	22.8	-.2	-.1
Government	998008	16.2	15.6	15.2	.6	1.0
Federal	998011	3.0	3.1	2.9	-.1	.1
State and local	998509	13.2	12.5	12.3	.7	.9

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Savannah MSA, which includes Chatham and Effingham counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1986 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

** Industry division does not meet disclosure criteria.*

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

UNITED STATES AND GEORGIA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY SEPTEMBER 1987	REVISED AUGUST 1987	REVISED SEPTEMBER 1986	CHANGE FROM REVISED AUG. 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED SEPT. 1986
United States (Seasonally adjusted)	Civilian labor force	119,861,000	120,302,000	118,272,000	-441,000	1,589,000
	Employed	112,772,000	113,081,000	109,987,000	-309,000	2,785,000
	Unemployed	7,089,000	7,221,000	8,285,000	-132,000	-1,196,000
	Rate	5.9	6.0	7.0	—	—
United States (Not seasonally adjusted)	Civilian labor force	119,884,000	121,614,000	118,244,000	-1,730,000	1,640,000
	Employed	113,027,000	114,527,000	110,229,000	-1,500,000	2,798,000
	Unemployed	6,857,000	7,088,000	8,015,000	-231,000	-1,158,000
	Rate	5.7	5.8	6.8	—	—
Georgia	Civilian labor force	3,066,542	3,083,869	3,081,438	-17,327	-14,896
	Employed	2,913,152	2,927,468	2,907,361	-14,316	5,791
	Unemployed	153,390	156,401	174,077	-3,011	-20,687
	Rate	5.0	5.1	5.6	—	—
Albany MSA	Civilian labor force	55,608	55,655	57,798	-47	-2,190
	Employed	51,028	50,758	50,940	270	88
	Unemployed	4,580	4,897	6,858	-317	-2,278
	Rate	8.2	8.8	11.9	—	—
Athens MSA	Civilian labor force	71,842	73,624	70,940	-1,782	902
	Employed	68,879	70,624	67,535	-1,745	1,344
	Unemployed	2,963	3,000	3,405	-37	-442
	Rate	4.1	4.1	4.8	—	—
Atlanta MSA	Civilian labor force	1,446,130	1,458,151	1,435,957	- 12,021	10,173
	Employed	1,382,831	1,393,174	1,372,023	-10,343	10,808
	Unemployed	63,299	64,977	63,934	-1,678	-635
	Rate	4.4	4.5	4.5	—	—
Augusta, Ga.-S.C. MSA	Civilian labor force	175,158	175,815	176,870	-657	-1,712
	Employed	166,203	166,658	165,829	-455	374
	Unemployed	8,955	9,157	11,041	-202	-2,086
	Rate	5.1	5.2	6.2	—	—
Columbus, Ga.-Ala. MSA	Civilian labor force	98,093	98,708	99,894	-632	-1,818
	Employed	92,472	92,939	92,870	-467	-398
	Unemployed	5,621	5,769	7,024	-165	-1,420
	Rate	5.7	5.8	7.0	—	—
Macon-Warner Robins MSA	Civilian labor force	127,143	127,771	128,985	-628	-1,842
	Employed	121,149	121,702	121,542	-553	-393
	Unemployed	5,994	6,069	7,443	-75	-1,449
	Rate	4.7	4.7	5.8	—	—
Savannah MSA	Civilian labor force	108,050	108,280	109,697	-230	-1,647
	Employed	102,092	102,045	102,995	47	-903
	Unemployed	5,958	6,235	6,702	-277	-744
	Rate	5.5	5.8	6.1	—	—

NOTE: Employment includes nonagricultural wage and salary employment, self-employed, unpaid family and private household workers, and agricultural workers. Persons in labor disputes are counted as employed. The use of unrounded data does not imply that the numbers are exact. Georgia and Metropolitan Statistical Area data have not been seasonally adjusted.

Albany MSA, *includes Dougherty and Lee counties.*
Athens MSA, *includes Clarke, Jackson, Madison, and Oconee counties.*
Atlanta MSA, *includes Barrow, Butts, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding, and Walton counties.*
Augusta MSA, *includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties in Georgia and Aiken County, South Carolina.*
Columbus MSA, *includes Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties in Georgia and Russell County, Alabama.*
Macon MSA, *includes Bibb, Houston, Jones, and Peach counties.*
Savannah MSA, *includes Chatham and Effingham counties.*

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

SEPT. AMSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY SEPT. 1987	REVISED AUG. 1987	REVISED SEPT. 1986	CHANGE FROM REVISED AUG. 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED SEPT. 1986
Augusta, Ga.-S.C. MSA	Civilian labor force	175,158	175,815	176,870	-657	-1,712
	Employed	166,203	166,658	165,829	-455	374
	Unemployed	8,955	9,157	11,041	-202	-2,086
	Rate	5.1	5.2	6.2	—	—
Residing in Georgia	Civilian labor force	114,907	115,498	117,462	-591	-2,555
	Employed	108,217	108,866	109,697	-649	-1,480
	Unemployed	6,690	6,632	7,765	58	-1,075
	Rate	5.8	5.7	6.6	—	—
Residing in South Carolina	Civilian labor force	60,251	60,317	59,408	-66	843
	Employed	57,986	57,792	56,132	194	1,854
	Unemployed	2,265	2,525	3,276	-260	-1,011
	Rate	3.8	4.2	5.5	—	—

NOTE: The Augusta Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties, Georgia, and Aiken County, South Carolina.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

COLUMBUS MSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY SEPT. 1987	REVISED AUG. 1987	REVISED SEPT. 1986	CHANGE FROM REVISED AUG. 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED SEPT. 1986
Columbus, Ga.-Ala. MSA	Civilian labor force	98,093	98,708	99,894	-632	-1,818
	Employed	92,472	92,939	92,870	-467	-398
	Unemployed	5,621	5,769	7,024	-165	-1,420
	Rate	5.7	5.8	7.0	—	—
Residing in Georgia	Civilian labor force	75,499	75,980	77,112	-481	-1,613
	Employed	71,216	71,715	72,084	-499	-868
	Unemployed	4,283	4,265	5,028	18	-745
	Rate	5.7	5.6	6.5	—	—
Residing in Alabama	Civilian labor force	22,594	22,728	22,782	-151	-205
	Employed	21,256	21,224	20,786	32	470
	Unemployed	1,338	1,504	1,996	-183	-675
	Rate	5.9	6.6	8.8	—	—

NOTE: The Columbus Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Muscogee and Chattahoochee counties, Georgia, and Russell County, Alabama.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

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